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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for providing streaming multimedia advertisements, the method comprising:

- opening a browser window;
- building a frame set in said browser window, said frame set comprising a media player and a data frame;
- constructing a directory, and thereafter searching said directory for files defining the parameters of said frame set;
- requesting a playlist by said media player; [[.]]
- receiving said playlist at said media player, said playlist comprising a list of references identifying streaming advertisement content and media content, wherein each reference includes for each advertisement an indicator that indicates when the advertisement should be played in relation to the media content;
- connecting to at least one media server to retrieve said streaming advertisement and said media content from said server;
- pushing HTML content related to the streaming content to the browser window;
- and
- simultaneously playing said streaming content on said media player and displaying said HTML content in the data frame.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein pushing includes providing the HTML content in said data frame in response to execution of an embedded

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command in the streaming media content, wherein said HTML content is related to the streaming content playing on said media player.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising logging the play of any advertisement on a server.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein pushing includes: embedding a script command into the streaming media or advertisement content that references said HTML content related to said streaming media or advertisement content, wherein said HTML content is stored at a remote server.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the indicator indicates that the advertisement be played one of before, during or after the media content is played.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim [[6]] 5, further comprising, where the streaming content includes an advertisement, logging the viewing of said advertisement using said script command.

8. (Previously Presented) A method for providing streaming multimedia content, the method comprising:

opening a browser window;

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building a frame set in said browser window, said frame set comprising a media player and a data frame;
requesting a playlist for said media player;
receiving said playlist at said media player, said playlist identifying streaming advertisement and media content, and an identifier identifying when the advertisement content should be played in relation to the media content;
connecting to at least one media server to retrieve said streaming advertisement and said media content from said at least one media server, wherein said streaming content includes one or more embedded commands that references HTML content corresponding to said streaming content;
playing said streaming content on said media player;
executing said one or more embedded commands to retrieve the referenced HTML content; and
displaying the retrieved HTML content in the data frame concurrently with the streaming content playing on the media player.

9. (Previously Presented) A method for providing streaming multimedia advertisements, the method comprising:

opening with a browser a browser window including a media player and a data frame;
requesting a playlist for said media player;
receiving said playlist, said playlist comprising a list of references identifying streaming advertisement content and media content, wherein each

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reference includes for each advertisement an indicator that indicates when the advertisement should be played in relation to the media content; connecting to at least one media server to retrieve said streaming advertisement and said media content from said at least one media server; pushing HTML content related to the streaming content to the browser; simultaneously playing said streaming content on said media player and displaying said HTML content in the data frame.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9, wherein pushing includes providing the HTML content to said data frame in response to execution of an embedded command in the streaming media content, wherein said HTML content is related to the streaming content playing on said media player.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9, wherein pushing includes embedding a script command into the streaming media or advertisement content that references said HTML content related to said streaming media or advertisement content, wherein said HTML content is stored at a remote server.

12. (New) A method for providing streaming multimedia advertisements, the method comprising:

receiving a request for a playlist;

building a playlist using information included in the request, the playlist

comprising a list of references identifying streaming advertisement content

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and media content, wherein each reference identifying advertisement content comprises an indicator of when the advertisement should be played in relation to the media content; and
transmitting the playlist to a user computer.

13. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the information comprises identification of a location of information for configuring a frame set, which comprises a media player and a data frame, on said user computer.

14. (New) The method of claim 12, further comprising:
in response to a request from the user computer, streaming content to said user computer; and
pushing HTML content related to the streaming content to the user computer, wherein display of the HTML content is synchronized with playback of the streaming content at the user computer.

15. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein streaming content to said user computer further comprising:
embedding a script command in the streaming content, wherein the script command references the HTML content.